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## **SIX FINED FOR PDC VIOLATIONS**

**Olympia** – Chair of the Public Disclosure Commission, Christine Yorozu, imposed civil penalties against a number of candidates and political committees at a hearing held in Olympia on Thursday.

The following candidates and political committees were found in violation of the public disclosure act at the Brief Enforcement Hearing:

**Marta Guevara**, candidate for State Representative from the 42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative District, was assessed a penalty of \$150 for late reporting and failure to timely deposit contributions received. The fine is to be paid within 30 days.

**Jim Andring**, candidate for city council of the City of Union Gap, was assessed a penalty of \$100 for failure to file a Statement of Financial Affairs (PDC form F-1) within two weeks of becoming a candidate.

**Everett Hurst**, candidate for city council of the City of Granite Falls, was assessed a penalty of \$100 for failure to file a Statement of Financial Affairs (PDC form F-1) within two weeks of becoming a candidate.

**Steven Gamage**, candidate for school director of the Bellingham School District, was assessed a penalty of \$150 for failure to file the Candidate Registration Statement (PDC form C-1) and a Statement of Financial Affairs (PDC form F-1) within two weeks of becoming a candidate.

The Washington Teamsters Legislative League and the General Teamsters Union Local #38 were assessed \$300 each for exceeding contribution limits to three candidates. The civil penalties were suspended on the condition no further violations of the statute are committed for a one year period.

Yorozu also rescinded an oral finding of a violation and a \$150 civil penalty against **James C. Garrett**, candidate for Mayor of the City of Seattle, for failure to file a Candidate Registration and Statement of Financial Affairs and she continued until November 1, 2001 a case alleging failure to report campaign obligations against **Protect Our Pets and Wildlife**.